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ALMA

Spiritualia. Most of the Fathers, faculty and fourth year, were away on Christmas supply. Some of the faculty also travelled to give end-of-year triduums and days of recollection: Fr. Hagemann to the BVM's at St. Brigid's Convent in S.F.; to the Sisters of Notre Dame in Salinas; Fr. Casey to the RSHM at Marymount, Palos Verdes Estate; Fr. O'Brien to the Sisters of Notre Dame, Redwood City.

The Christmas schedule of the choir took them to the hospitals in Santa Cruz, to Agnew's, O'Connor's and to El Retiro.

The Scholastics staged the annual Mexican Mission Christmas party at Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel in East San Jose. 1100 Mexican children and mothers attended. After a movie, "The Birth of Christ," Santa Claus (Mr. Small, Ore.) arrived to lead the singing and distribute the presents, which had been supplied by the grammar schools of St. Joseph's and St. Mary's of San Jose. There were presents for all as well as candy and ice cream. Santa's helpers, who arranged the party, were Frs. Brown and Loyens (Ore.) and Messrs. Taheny, Brophy, Bracchi, Morse (Ore.), and Jacobson (Ore.).

Specialia. Father Rector's Day was celebrated on January 14. Fr. Rector (Rudolph) welcomed many guests from the Bay Area, including the Rectors of Santa Clara (Fr. P. Donohoe) and the Novitiate (Fr. J. F. Connolly). The entertainment was provided by an octet of Scholastics under the direction of Mr. McTighe (Ore.). Program menus for this occasion were printed by Bro. Gonzalez and Mr. Callaghan.

Fr. Farraher, with the collaboration of Fr. R. Vaughan of U.S.F., conducted a one-day institute on moral problems at Anaheim for the Mission San Jose Dominican Sisters of the area.

Appointments. New beadle and sub-beadle: Messrs. Whitten and Griffin have replaced Messrs. Williams (Ore.) and Enslow (Ore.).

Visitors. 8:24 on the morning of Jan. 3 found a 207 lb. mule deer (Odocoileus hemionus) plucking oranges from the trees outside the main barber shop. At 8:25 curiosity or fright sent it flying in through screen and window. Finding no one one duty inside, it rebounded out through window and screen after damaging but one barber chair. The incident took only a few seconds, but it made history in a bizarre way and has caused feelings of insecurity in all those with orange trees growing outside their windows.

Fr. Oñate, first Provincial of the newly erected Far East Province, came to visit his two subjects, Father Minister (J. Donohoe) and Bro. Griffin, and to interview other hopefuls.

Fr. Umberto Olivieri, 74, recently ordained ex-Santa Clara professor, was our guest. (Cf. Prov. News, Jan. '59, p. 5.)

Fr. T. Wolf (Ore.) of Loyola spent part of Christmas vacation with the community.

The community entertained the Regents on the Feast of the Holy Innocents.

Talks. Sister M. Emil, I.H.M., ad-

dressed a SRO audience on "The Aims and Achievements of Sister Formation." Sister, a Ph.D. from Saint Louis U., is on leave of absence from Marygrove College, Detroit, and is Executive Secretary of the Sister Formation Conference.

Varia. The rains finally came. Buckets were called for here and there under a leaking Faculty Building roof.

Bro. Griffin returned from the Brothers' Tertianship in El Paso.

Frs. W. and J. Huesman went to Los Angeles because of the death of their mother.

Bro. Lee went to the hospital with acute arthritis.

Mr. Mason, Japanese missionary, paid a visit in San Francisco to Fr. Arrupe, first Provincial of the newly erected Japanese Province.

Fr. O'Hanlon is at Syracuse University to attend the lectures of R. Bultmann, renowned German Protestant theologian.

Mr. Nelson (Ore.) left for Montana upon hearing of the death of his brother, who was killed in an automobile accident.

NOVITIATE

Bro. Benecke last month completed and installed a new tabernacle for the chapel of Father Provincial's residence in San Francisco. This is the eighth steel-and-bronze tabernacle which Bro. Benecke's devoted labor and skill in metal-work have produced. He made the tabernacles for the Novitiate and Villa Joseph chapels, for those at Loyola High and the new U.S.F. faculty residence.

Bros. John Fahey and Nicholas Weber, scholastic novices, inaugurated the series of Spring catechism classes for public school pupils at Little Flower mission of St. Clare's parish, Santa Clara, January 16.

The Juniors' choir, under Bro. Eifert's direction, regaled the community and guests with songs during the Novices' Gaudiosa, December 27. Fr. Ronald Herron of Gonzaga High School, Spokane, was one of the guests.

In a New Year's Eve program, the Juniors successfully presented a Greek-choral composition with Latin text arranged by Fr. Harkin, dramatic readings from "Green Pastures", and a dramatic portrayal of the popular recording, "Green Christmas."

Fr. Oñate, provincial of the Far East province, visited the Novitiate briefly on January 2nd and 3rd.

Fr. McCarthy has been assigned as Tertian Instructor of the Far East province. Seventeen priests of that province will begin tertianship June 15 at Chabanel Hall, Manila. Fr. McCarthy will leave Los Gatos early in March, and will sail for the Orient early in April.

Fr. McKey, associated twenty-five years with promoting the sales of Novitiate sacramental wines, set out on January 12 for a tour through Texas. Last Fall, Fr. McKey drove more than 12,000 miles in one tour, mainly through midwestern States.

Bro. Edmund Brown attended his father's inauguration as Governor of California in Sacramento, Monday, Jan. 5. The Governor attended Mass and received Communion that morning before the inauguration ceremonies.

Fr. D. Duggan is making steady and notable progress marking and cataloguing books in the various Novitiate libraries. Thus far, more than 24,500 books have been properly accessioned.

Fr. Cornelius Deeney, of Santa Clara University, began a series of Sunday night lectures in Sacred Scripture to the Novices, January 11.

The Southern Pacific railroad terminated its Los Gatos rail service January 21, breaking a transport tradition which dates back to 1882.

MOUNT ST. MICHAEL'S

Christmas vacation brought a welcome relief from studies but little snow. However, Jan. 2-6 we were treated to snow flurries that covered the Mount with 5 inches and provided ample skating and snow sports for all. The highlight of "the white New Year" was a brisk hock-

ey battle between the Canadians of Gonzaga U. and our "pro" hockey team composed likewise of Canadians. The retiring misters taught the collegians a valuable lesson as the scoreboard of 15 to 11 indicated.

The scholastics did much supply work on Xmas Eve. The Indian Missions (Ford and Omak) two parishes (Clayton and St. Patrick's) Sacred Heart Hospital, and the Good Shepherd Home were supplied with singers, servers and masters of ceremonies.

The choir was kept busy for two days after Xmas. The "grand tour" of Eastern State Hospital at Medical Lake was a real experience for all. Other points of our excursion were Shriner's Hospital, Sacred Heart Hospital, Edgecliff County Hospital for T.B., St. Joseph's Orphanage, St. Joseph's Old Age Home and Mount St. Joseph's (home for old Providence Nuns). The choir was asked to sing for a Poor Clare Silver Tea Benefit on Feb. 2nd.

Job changes brought in Mr. LeSarge (Can.) as beadle and Mr. Cunningham as sub-beadle.

Fr. Newport made his annual visit and gave S.H. points and a talk to the scholastics on "Juveniles and the Apostleship of Prayer."

The 3rd year scholastics presided at the philosophy orals at Gonzaga U. They also provided suitable coaching beforehand to help lessen the number of failures.

PORT TOWNSEND

At Home. Fr. Rinn conducted several more classes concerning work in the parish. This was followed by a description from Fr. Prange of his work on McNeil Island as permanent chaplain. Frs. Kristoph and Evoy have concluded their series. The second part was on homosexuality and on counselling.

Fr. O'Neill has replaced Fr. Aziz at Sacred Heart in Spokane. Fr. Olivier has been made beadle in place of Fr. Gill, who has returned looking none the worse for wear. All the men were out for the Christmas supply calls.

Abroad. Fr. Alhadef gave a triduum to the St. Anne Nuns in Victoria preceding the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Generalia. Construction on the swimming pool will commence in the middle of January and is scheduled for completion about St. Patrick's Day. A new drive on campus has been inaugurated to provide an additional $8,000 for the installation of the heater, the diving boards, and the concrete wall around the area.

Construction on the library has reached the point where the concrete structure of the ground level is nearing completion and the erection of the second storey is about to begin. Due to the almost complete absence of rain so far, rapid progress is being made, and the construction is ahead of schedule. Fr. Marshall, chief sidewalk-superintendent, exhibits great solicitude for his pet project and makes a daily trip (or trips) of inspection.

The Homecoming Parade took place on the evening of Jan. 8 along Sepulveda Blvd. It featured seven beautifully devised and decorated floats on South Seas themes, six marching bands and units from the public high schools of the area, and various non-musical picturesque marching units. A large Westchester crowd lined the street to witness this annual event.

For the third consecutive year, Farmers Insurance Group has contributed a sum to the scholarship program of the University. This year's contribution amounted to $3,415 for the School of Law.

On Dec. 18 following, several of the deans and members of the faculty attended the NCEA convention (high school branch) held at Conaty High School.

The annual Jesuit parents' Christmas party on Dec. 21 was attended by some 17 members of our community.

On December 27, Jesuit faculty

members attended the annual Christmas party sponsored by the Facuty Wives' Club.

On December 28, thirty members of the community enjoyed the generous hospitality of the Loyola High community at the annual Southern California edition of the Jesuit Christmas party.

The Brothers of our community enjoyed a trip to San Diego on Dec. 30.

The Albertus Magnus Guild was host to Fr. Bohenski, O.P., on Jan. 10, who addressed the group on the relationship of logic to the scientific method.

Mr. W. S. Rosecrans and Mr. Walter Muller, two of our Regents, are presenting the University with a Steinway grand piano to be placed in the President's Lounge. Mrs. M. E. Blenkiron, who supports two scholarships annually, is presenting a marble statue of the Madonna made in Italy. It also will be placed in the President's Lounge.

Personalia. From January 4-8, Father Rector (Casassa) attended the annual meeting of the Jesuit College Presidents at Rockhurst College, Kansas City. He also attended the meetings of the Assoc. of American Colleges there. As a member of the Commission on Faculty and Staff Benefits, a commission of the Assoc. of American Colleges, he attended the meeting and a joint luncheon of this group with the special committee of the Association for Higher Education. On Jan. 13, in company with Dr. Mitchell Briggs, Exec. Secretary of the Western College Association, Father made a preliminary visit of the College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda. He was one of the educators who were guests of Stanford University on Jan. 15 at the California Club, Los Angeles. On Jan. 16, he attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association of Independent Calfornia Colleges and Universities.

Dec. 28-30, Frs. Donohue and Trame in company with Frs. Wm. Davis of Gonzaga, Ed Smyth and J. McGloin of USF, and Brusher of Santa Clara attended the meetings of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Assoc. held at Whittier College.

On November 14, 1300 alumni attended the Fall social at the Beverly-Hilton Hotel, establishing a record for attendance. Part of the proceeds went to the swimming pool fund. Fr. Graham is in charge of the Western district conference of the American Alumni Council, whose meeting will occur from Feb. 4-6 at Santa Barbara. Fifty-two universities and colleges in California, Nevada and Arizona are members. Fr. assumes chairmanship at the conference.

Fr. James King was chairman of the Committee for the Western College Association visiting Chico State College for reaccreditation. On Dec. 12, Father and Dean Whelan were guests of the Air Force, who took them on a tour of inspection of two air bases in the area, and gave them a ride in a jet aircraft.

Fr. Charlton gave a triduum Jan. 16-18 to the Helpers of the Holy Souls here in Los Angeles. During November he gave a day of recollection in Santa Barbara.

Fr. Caldwell spoke to the Loyola Chapter of the K. of C. on the subject of Psychiatry and Catholicism.

Fr. Trame addressed the Saint Monica High Mothers' Club on Catholic Higher Education in the Catholic University of America. Earlier in the year he addressed the Christines on the subject of the Council of Trent.

On Dec. 22-23, Fr. O'Farrell spoke to a meeting in Sacramento of educationalists on the Philosophy of Education. The Education Society held its annual Communion and Communion-Breakfast here on campus on Dec. 11. Bernard Donohue, alumnus, and now principal of Banning High School, addressed the group. Fr. Hynes arrived Jan. 12 to inspect St. Monica's High School for accreditation.

Jan. 6-9 Fr. Bernard Maitre of the Champaigne Prov. was our guest. He was on his way to Japan to complete some scholarly articles on the missions.

Fr. DFX Finnegan has been selected among six educators from the State to represent Teacher Education on a joint committee with six subject-matter specialists from the Western College Association who plan to make a thorough study of the relationships and problems involved in the academic preparation of teachers. The Joint Committee will meet continuously for one week in Santa Barbara during April. This marks the first time the two groups have ever worked together.

Father also addressed the Mothers' Club of Holy Family High School, Glendale, on "Getting Our Daughters into College" and one week later the Fathers' Club of Chaminade High School on "Helping Our Sons Toward Careers."

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Jesuit Presidents of 28 U.S. colleges and universities met with our Fr. P. Donohoe at Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Jan. 4-5, and issued a formal statement in praise of the Nat'l Defense Educ. Act which rises above false interpretations of the 1st Amendment to allot aid to all gifted students of both private and public schools, **for the good of the country.**

Fr. President also attended Assoc. of Amer. Colleges, Kansas City, Jan. 6-7; and later left for Washington, D.C., Jan. 19. The sympathy of the community was extended to Fr. Donohoe on his return from Kansas City to attend rosary and funeral of his uncle, John Murphy of San Francisco.

Fr. Plushkell, Jan. 19, offered the Requiem Mass, following Office of the Dead in the Mission Church, for the soul of Fr. Daniel J. Stack. Burial followed in the Santa Clara cemetery. 33 Jesuits assisted.

Final Week-end Retreat was given to 25 students in the domestic chapel Jan. 9-11, by Fr. McAuliffe. A few day and law students plan closed retreats at El Retiro, San Juan Bautista (Franciscans), or Manresa. Various year-end tridua were given Sisterhoods by our Fathers about S.F., L.A., and S. Diego. Noon Mass and evening rosary for the students continue. Four Sunday Masses are well attended by lay faculty, staff, students, and laity.

Casus and Community Exhortation were ably presented by Fr. R. H. Dailey of Alma on Marriage Impediments, and Fr. Frank Curran on Charity. Our "walking sermon" is seen daily at his tasks as confessor, instructor of converts, and community member, Fr. William Shepherd, 85 years young, Jesuit for 64, priest for 48. His slight deafness does not deter his penitents.

Among campus improvements must be noted the exhibit of Cultural and Science Arts installed by Fr. Hubbard in the Observatory. His king-size Ansco enlargements of Alaskan and world scenes, the Vatican, and Jesuit missions draw increasing numbers of visitors.

Fr. Mei graciously spoke for Fr. Hubbard (ill with flu) to the Western Mining Council meeting Jan. 12, in de Saisset. After showing of "Fantasy In Ice" with color views of deep blue ice pointed out by Fr. Hubbard some time ago as possible "heavy water" or pure hydrogen. Tom Hall, W.M.C. president, noted that of all gold in Fort Knox, the American people now own only $4 billion, the remainder all mortgaged. $8 billion, he said, were needed to properly back our paper currency .

Fine mineral specimens were then raffled, and a contribuion made for Fr. Hubbard, after which members enjoyed the minerals and Mission exhibits. A prominent atomic scientist is corresponding with Fr. Hubbard about the deep blue ice, a discovery recently claimed by Soviet research, and studied in our own Armed Forces experimentation. The eloquent historical sermon preached by Fr. Zacheus Maher at Fr. Hubbard's Jubilee has been attractively printed.

Fr. Thos Flynn presented Robert Luc, Consul General of France, as 2nd President's Lecturer in de Saisset, Jan. 14, through the good offices of Fr. Hurst, now in graduate French at Stanford.

Fr. Schmidt of Youth Center, and University liaison committee, addressed No. Calif. Public Health Association, Jan. 30, in Sacramento on delinquency problems .He hosted a Readers Digest writer sent Jan. 23-24 to observe Youth Center in action. Richard Pollard of Life Magazine has completed the rough draft of an article with pictures of the center for spring or summer publication. George Murphy responded to Fr. Schmidt's invitation to appear for 1st Student Lecture March 3; topic: The Battle of Ideas and Ideals Through Public Communication Media.

Visitors included Fr. Oñate, Spanish Basque provincial of Far Eastern Province, S.J.; Lt. Gen. Chas. D. Palmer, Commander of 6th Army, to inspect R.O.T.C.; Eastern Team Athletes, Dec. 21-27; Regent Scholastics, Dec. 26-31; and Fr. Umberto Olivieri leaving Jan. 9 for his Tulincingo mission.

Author Fagothey feted. Jan. 15 during evening recreation, for the third time this academic year, the Community gathered to congratulate a member on publication of a book. "Right and Reason," excellent revised text in Ethics published 1959 by C. V. Mosby of St. Louis, was placed on a lectern between lighted candles, while all greeted the modest but able Jesuit.

Fr. Wilfred Crowley, Jan. 6-8, at Cincinnati, Ohio, participated in the Faculty Representatives Round Table, and was elected for one year to the Executive Committee, NCAA, as well as chairman of the important Eligibility Committee. The two panelists with him Jan. 7, were Dr. Rexford Snyder, Director of Admissions, Stanford University, and Dr. A. B. Kerwin, Professor of History, University of Kentucky.

Fr. Mackin's Summer School schedules of courses are now published, with enrollment shaping up. The Summer Institute for High School Math teachers, men and women, sponsored by the Nat'l Science Foundation's grant of $25,000 to Dr. Sussman, will be conducted on campus concurrently with the U.'s first summer session.

Fr. Joseph Pociask, juggling his time between classes in English literature, Catalá Club student-aid programs, and de Saisset lecture and recital programs, was forced to bed by flu, only to rise in welcome to the College of Notre Dame, Belmont, Choral Group and their outstanding recital under Sister Amelia's direction, Sunday afternoon, Jan. 18.

He set up the Santa Clara Artists Guild display for Jan. 9-Feb. 9; hosted the Catalá scholarship tea, Seifert Gym, Jan. 20, welcomed the San Jose Music Study Club preview in de Saisset, Jan. 21; and greeted the Santa Clara Philharmonic public program, Jan. 27.

Gifted Frederick Loadwick, tenor, with Lila Levan, accompanist, were presented Feb. 8. Very valuable gifts have come to de Saisset from Mrs. Oscar Cass and her husband's will; together with several dozen folio art books of high character, exquisite Meissenware, and furniture from Margaret and Michael Strong.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Meetings. Fr. President (JFX Connolly) attended the meetings of the Jesuit College and University Presidents, held in Kansas City.

Fr. Smyth attended the meetings of the American Historical Society, Pacific Coast Branch, at Whittier College. He also read a paper, "Clericis Laicos and the Lower Clergy in England." He also served on the nominating committee.

Fr. John McGloin also attended the above meeting and was elected to the Council for three years.

Fr. R. Vaughan participated in a teachers' institute on Moral Problems of Boys at St. Catherine's Military Academy at Anaheim.

Lectures. Fr. Diebels is giving a series of twelve lectures on the "Mystical Body of Christ" at the Serra Library.

Fr. Zimmers succeeded Fr. F. Curran in conducting the Inquiry Class

for Non-Catholics.

Improvements. The Placement Office has moved to more spacious and better equipped locality on the campus. The ROTC department has also moved into new and better space in the Memorial Gymnasium on the basement floor.

Spiritual. Several members of the lay faculty spent a day of recollection at El Retiro during the intersemester break. This is an annual event.

Party. The University was the host this year for the annual Jesuit Christmas gathering of Jesuits in the northern California area. It was held in Phelan Hall.

The Jesuit Mothers held their annual dessert-tea in Phelan Hall with a very good number in attendance. Income from this affair is used to defray the expenses of the Ordination breakfast in June.

Visitors. Fr. Oñate, Provincial of the Far Eastern Province; Fr. Germain, Procurator of the same province.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Convention. Frs. Reed, Carlin and Leonard attended the convention of Catholic schools in Los Angeles.

Sanctuary Society. A large number of Sanctuary Society boys attended the midnight Mass in our church. As usual, the church was packed to capacity crowd and overflowing. The age-old custom of a "shindig" was held for members of the Sanctuary Society. Refreshments were served after a movie held in the high school auditorium.

Caroling. Under the direction of Fr. Enright, fifteen students visited four hospitals just before Christmas to cheer up the patients with seasonal music. They visited Children's Hospital, Langley Porter Clinic, Laguna Honda Home, and the San Francisco General Hospital.

Athletics. After a successful football season now the focus is on basketball. Only a mediocre season is expected.

Meetings. A group of public school science teachers of Northern California met in the well-kept physics lab and lecture room, who were favorably impressed with our chemistry and physics facilities. Fr. Spohn was appointed to the Planning Committee of the Bay Area Science Fair, as the Catholic school representative.

A large number of teachers from the area's Catholic high schools assembled at St. Ignatius to aid in the formation of syllabi for the various academic subjects taught in the Bay Area Catholic schools.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Ministeria. The Fathers took Christmas supply calls all the way from the High Sierras in the Crowley Lake Area to the San Francisco Bay Region. The Scholastics, after helping the Fathers with the Sodality Meet in San Francisco and the Educational Convention in Los Angeles, enjoyed a few days of well-earned rest at Lake Arrowhead.

China Talks. Fr. Houle addressed about 100 persons, a third of them Chinese, on Jan. 5th, at the monthly dinner meeting of the China Society of Southern California. The gathering was held in the General Lee Restaurant of Los Angeles' Chinatown.

To illustrate his talks, Father usually uses one or the other, sometimes several, sometimes all of his four films, according to the time at his disposal. These are (1) "Ageless China," a 60 minute film, and three shorter films; (2) "Formosa, Isle of Destiny"; (3) "T.V. Interview With China Missionary"; and (4) "The Awakening, A Japanese Student's Conversion in San Sophia University, Tokyo."

Fr. Houle also spoke to a group of Catholic Daughters of America, some 50 strong, in the Corpus Christi Parish, Pacific Palisades, on Jan. 6th; to the Parents' Club, about 400 mothers, fathers, and students of Mission High School, San Gabriel, on Jan. 8th; to the Siena Mission Circle, some 50 members of the Im-

maculate Conception Parish, on Jan. 12th; and to about 50 members and friends of the Mission Circle of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Van Nuys, on Jan. 20th.

Spring Sports Rally. Sponsored by the Loyola Dads' Club, the annual Spring Sports Rally was held Jan. 7th in the new gym and was attended by a large, enthusiastic crowd of both fathers and sons.

The speakers were the various athletic coaches and teachers. Each one spoke of his own sport and of the high hopes he held of helping his student athletes to win new victories in this bright New Year.

Bill Barnett, veteran basketball coach, led off with his low, deep voice, commenting on the high spirit of the whole student body and of their tremendous interest in Loyola's four basketball teams, and especially in his own varsity team. Coach Tom Ammon spoke of his "mighty" JVees, Mr. Cooney, S.J., of his Bees, and Mr. Gilpatric, S.J., of his Cees.

Coach Mario DiMorro outlined the prospects of varsity baseball, and Mr. John Flynn, S.J., did the same for the "mighty" JVees. Coach Chuck Valenti now introduced several runners of his track team, Mr. Short, S.J., presented his tennis players, and the swimming team, captained by Ben Franklin, in the absence of Coach Bill Quinlan, took the cheers of the throng with laughing, low bows and quickly made way for a comedy act and the final vocal numbers of the Glee Club.

Visitation. Rev. Fr. Provincial (C. O'Sullivan) began his annual visitation with a community exhortation on Jan. 9th and gave another on Sunday, Jan. 18th. Father expected to remain at Loyola until Jan. 21st.

New Appointments. At semester's end, on Jan. 16th, Mr. Joseph Preston, a highly skilled reserve pilot as well as new mathematics teacher, was called away from our classrooms and ordered back to active service in the Air Force. Fr. Lester was sent to San Jose, to Bellarmine College Preparatory, in an exchange of Religion classes with Fr. Francis Dunn.

Improvements. The high altar of our community chapel was recently refitted with a new set of dorsal drapes, and the old red ones replaced by new panels of rich, gold cloth, skillfully hung by a group of Jesuit Mothers.

Fr. Barry erected an outdoor Christmas crib in the spacious entrance of our classroom building. When lighted up the new crib was visible to all those passing by on Venice Boulevard.

Bros. Desjardins and Sessing, after repainting the laundry, adjourned to the baseball diamond, where they repaired the shattered backstop, thus preventing further damage to the windows of the neighboring Sisters Convent.

Fr. Pallas cut down two stout shade trees to enable visitors and sightseers to read the historic inscription in the cornerstone of our classroom building.

Out-of-Province Visitors. Rt. Rev. Msgr. Leo Hobson, chaplain Holy Family Hospital, Vancouver, B. C.; Fr. Joseph V. Downey (Mo.) professor of physics, director seismological observatory, Regis College, Denver; Fr. Ronald J. Herron (Ore.), Dept's. English and Religion, Gonzaga Prep, Spokane; Fr. Joseph Castellanos (No. Mex.), former seminary professor, Quezon City, Philippines, now ass't rector, Jesuit Theologate, Tokyo.

Basketball. The Loyola Varsity, after battling it out with Cathedral (43-41) with four victories and no defeats, now stands on top of the Catholic League. How long can they remain there with three tough games ahead? The "mighty" JVees and Bees are also undefeated. The little Cees win and lose but march bravely on.

Death Takes Fr. Stack. Two days after he was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage, death took Fr. Daniel J. Stack in Queen of Angels Hospital, Jan. 15th, in his 75th year, in his 57th in the Society.

Solemn High Mass, coram episcopo, was offered for him, Saturday,

Jan. 17th, in Blessed Sacrament Church, where he had worked as pastor for five years, and later for nine years more as assistant. The Mass was sung by Rev. Fr. Provincial, Fr. Ring, and Fr. Robert Shepherd. Bishop Manning gave the absolution. Fr. McCoy, a close friend, preached a touching eulogy. He said in part what follows:

Fr. Daniel Stack came to Blessed Sacrament Parish immediately after his tertianship in Los Gatos, 1920. He was then 36 years old, tall, straight, handsome, witty, enthusiastic. He won all hearts. His big problem was to move the whole parish plant, which had outgrown its small hemmed-in space on Hollywood Boulevard to its present, large, broad site on Sunset Boulevard, two blocks away.

Fr. Stack came here in 1920; he left in 1925. But in those five years what he accomplished was astonishing.

He sold the original small patch of land and its "vine-covered" church and "bungalow" school for $300,000.

The present site with its 284 feet on Sunset Boulevard, and its depth of 546 feet—much of it used today as a parking space—was purchased by Fr. Stack for $75,000.

Moreover, he erected the large, magnificent building, called the Blessed Sacrament School. In reality it is two buldings covered by one roof; the beautful parish school in use today and also the spacious auditorium which Fr. Stack used as a church while this present church was being built.

All this he did for God's glory in the five years he was pastor, 1920-1925, and in the nine more years he labored at Blessed Sacrament. He was one of the great Jesuit priests of Hollywood. R.I.P.

Fr. Rector accompanied the body on the night train to San Jose. Next morning, Jan. 19th, he offered the funeral Mass in the Santa Clara University Church and recited the graveside prayers in the Santa Clara Cemetery.

BELLARMINE

Ground lost. Work has begun on the Hedding St. widening and an overpass at the S.P. tracks. This is a $2 million project, and its progress will be watched by the Bellarmine faculty for the next six months. A strip of our property 13 feet wide and 2 blocks long had to be sold to the city for the purpose. Our garage is being moved across the street to the "Echo" property, since the overpass begins at Elm St. By the time the overpass reaches our northwest exit from the campus, it will be high enough so as not to necessitate the closing of this exit.

Just two blocks to the north, another overpass is being built for the Route 5 Freeway. When these two overpasses are opened it is hoped that the grade crossings at Stockton and at Emory streets will be closed, thus lessening the whistling and bell-ringing of the trains. On account of the Hedding St. detour, the famous intersection, "Emory at Elm," is now a four-way stop.

Forensics. At the National Forensic League Student Congress held at Richmond Union High School, Lambert Spronk, a senior, was not only selected president of the senate but was also chosen to be national senator at the Congress to be held next June in Miami, Fla.

The Bellarmine representation at the Richmond Congress was augmented by 14 freshmen. These had been chosen from a group who had been invited to take part in a debate tournament before the Christmas holidays. The tournament was taken very seriously by the boys and was judged by former Bellarmine teachers now at Alma. It was by this means that the coach, Fr. Pettid, was able to find the aspiring orators in the freshman class.

Dramatics. On the night of January 7, Fr. Conway and Ed. Romano sponsored a Drama Festival. Three one-act plays were presented to a capacity audience in our "Little Theatre"; the space that was originally the chemistry and physics labs.

Golden Bell. The whole first page of the Society Section for January 11 was used by the San Jose Mercury-News to announce to the people of San Jose that Bellarmine's Golden Bell Dinner Dance was scheduled for January 31st. The theme this year is a winter vacation in Switzerland. On account of this affair, sponsored by the Dads' Club and the Mothers' Guild, the debt on our new buildings will be reduced by at least $10,000.

Transfers. During the inter-semester week-end, Fr. Dunn joined the Loyola High faculty, and Fr. Lester became a member of our community.

AZUSA

Activities slackened off towards the end of the year at Azusa, owing to the fact that no retreats were held the last two weeks of December, and the cook and other workmen get their annual vacation.

However, numerous have been visiting priests and Religious Brothers from various High Schools to make their own private retreats. Amongst them were Frs. McKee from Phoenix, J. Carroll from Loyola U.; Brolan from the Province Curia; Domachowski from Loyola High; Casassa from Loyola U., and the Superior of the Passionist Retreat House at Sierra Madre, who came here to "bury himself in silence."

At Christmas time, Frs. Toner and Vaughan helped with confessions and ceremonies in neighboring parishes, the former at Covina, the latter at Azusa. And Fr. O'Mara gave a triduum at St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco. Fr. Rice arrived back from his trip on December 31st.

In recent weeks Fr. Toner also gave a mission of one week at Carmel, and of two weeks at Monroiva.

On Jan. 4th we had the first retreat of the New Year for a group of students from Cathedral High School, the entire affair financed by one of our regular retreatants. This affluent gentleman remarked when last here for his retreat that he wished he had had such an experience during his school days. When Fr. O'Mara told of so many present day high school students who fail to come out for fear of the expense, the man reacted favorably and offered to sponsor an entire group of boys.

BLESSED SACRAMENT, HOLLYWOOD

The Fire Department inspected our school and found it acceptable except for one detail. The music room must have two additional exits in order to conform with fire security regulations.

Fr. John Collins is beginning a new class of instuction for converts.

Fr. Wm. Huesman was a recent visitor.

EL RETIRO

Christmas Ministries: Fr. Tobin, Fairfield; Fr. G. Leahy, El Retiro; Fr. Amirat, Niles; Fr. Giambastiani, Bakersfield; Fr. Maher, Flintridge; Fr. McIntosh, Richmond; Fr. Savall, Alhambra; Fr. J. Shepherd, Fresno; Fr. Silva, St. Brigid's, San Francisco; Fr. Wagener, Palo Alto; Fr. Wood, Oregon.

Retreat Statistics for 1958: Private retreats were made by 64 priests, of whom 6 were religious, 20 seculars, 38 Ours. In addition a retreat was given to a group of 28 seculars. As for the laymen: 67 retreats were given to 4,533 men; of these 3,126 were former retreatants and 1,407 made their first retreat here. The retreat masters numbered 30, the greater number of whom were not of the staff, and gave but one, or at most two, retreats.

Summary ab Initio: Retreats: 1,729; retreatants, 74,775.

Fr. John Bradstreet had joined our community as a member of the retreat house staff. He gave the retreat the week-ends of January 9th and 16th.

Fr. Francis Silva is making TV recordings for the Sacred Heart Progam in St. Louis. While there he will give a retreat at the "White House,"

the St. Louis Retreat house for men, and will conduct the exercises for the Religious of the Sacred Heart as well.

In the death of Mr. J. Frank Barrett we have lost a staunch retreatant, a generous benefactor and an apostolic retreat captain. For each of the 33 years since his first retreat in 1925, with the unavoidable exception of four years, he made his own retreat with great earnestness and captained an outstandingly lage class as well. May his devoted soul rest in peace.

FRESNO

Spiritualia. During the Christmas season, the following Fathers were on supply: Fr. St. Sure at Reedley; Fr. Crain at St. Helen's, in Fresno; Fr. Geary at Soledad; Fr. Brady was master of ceremonies at the special televized Christmas Mass at St. Therese's. At this Mass Fr. Shepherd (mission band) preached and narated the commentary. He was assisted by Fr. St. Clair.

Father Superior (Wm. Finnegan) showed the film, "Salt of the Earth" to St. Therese's Shrine here in Fresno. "Salt of the Earth" is a vocational film which depicts the day-to-day activity in the life of a secular seminarian.

Fr. Joseph King attended the reception of his nieces at the San Rafael convent of Dominicans.

Frs. Finnegan, Geary, Brady, King, St. Sure and Messrs. King and Reilly attended the kick-off drive-dinner for the proposed Newman Center building near Fresno State College. 400 persons attended the banquet, which was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of the San Joaquin Valley District. At the dinner Msgr. James G. Dowling of the Shrine of St. Therese reported the donations thus far totalled $53,000. The Newman Center will cost $400,000.

Varia. The first snow picnic of the year was held on Saturday, Jan. 17, at Grant's Grove in the Sequoia National Park. Fr. Brady, Messrs. King, Hernandez and Reilly and thirty seminarians safaried to the forest.

Visitors this month included Bro. Henry, F.S.C., who is currently engaged in microfilming books in the seminary library.

ST. JOSEPH'S, SAN JOSE

Frs. Hill and Buckley from Alma assisted with confessions and services during the Christmas season. A New Year's Day Mass at 5:30 P.M. was heavy in attendance but light in the collection.

Fr. Prendiville gave the invocation at the dedication of the new Santa Clara Detention Home for boys and girls and also spoke before the Kiwanis Club of San Jose. Fr. Doherty gave the invocation at the Hope for Retarded Children Annual dinner.

A generous parishioner donated six sets of different colored Gothic vestments (extra large) for the use of Frs. Prendiville and Dondero. The same parishioner also donated new and larger collection baskets for the church.

At the estimated cost of $10,000 the lead lining in all the church's stained glass windows must be replaced because of crystallization. The rose window in the ceiling alone will cost $3,000. The work is now in process.

In the wake of the Chicago fire, St. Joseph's School got a thorough going-over by the fire department. On a never-used stairway they discovered cigarette butts galore—a good potential fire hazard. A trap was laid and the two culprits (8th graders) were caught and expelled.

Fr. Thoralf Norheim, O.P., gave a piano recital sponsored by the Dads' Club for the benefit of the Church in Norway. Fr. Alexis McCarthy, O.C., Provincial of 3rd Order of Mt. Carmel, was our visitor for several days.

HOLY FAMILY, SAN JOSE

Custom-built. Holy Family each Christmastide displays its artistic Crib Set, each figurine designed and executed in terra cotta by a capable sculptor of Rome, Giuseppe

Mastroianni, who did the statues of the Sacred Heart in the Jesuit Curia garden of Rome in Borgo Santa Spirito.

Keeping Christ in Christmas. The Mexican parishioners prepared for Christmas with their customary "Posadas." Fr. Peña, however, conducted them in church, instead of in the homes of a different parishioner each night. He eliminated, thereby, the almost certain invidious comparisons of the respective homes, and the growing tendency of making "Las Posadas" be an occasion of frivolous and exaggerated merrymaking, a tendency which nullifies almost completely the religious aspect of what is actually a solemn Christmas Novena.

Christmas decorations. The renovations in the entrance of the church were on display for Christmas: exterior doors in solid oak, oak paneling inside the vestibule, solid oaken inside doors, baptistry walls in oak, wainscoting and floor in marble, marble baptsmal font imported from Italy. Inside the church there are now two new confessionals of modern design, fiinished in oak, and recessed into the walls. Work on the Crying Room was put off until after Christmas. The plans of the architect to replace the large re-gilded cross to the top of the church cupola by means of a helicopter ran into a formidable array of city ordinances, which obliged him to go back to the prosaic but still very difficult use of steeplejacks, cables and pulleys.

Restful interlude. The pastor (Fr. Roccati) after setting the stage for Christmas Day, took off for a week's rest.

TAIPEI

On Dec. 21 our choir spent a morning in the BCC recording studio, doing the background music for a religious play which was beamed to the China mainland on Christmas Eve.

Sunday afternoon, December 21, the combined Sodalities under the direction of Fr. Fred Foley staged a Christmas party for the 3rd class patients of Taiwan University Hospital. While the choir sang carols in the corridor, wards were decorated, leaflets distributed and gifts given to all the sodalists. The Social Service Bureau and the Director welcomed the groups and thanked them heartily afterwards. Wounded returnees from Kinmen were among those benefited.

Our choir also sang for the prisoners at Taipei jail. The audience reacted warmly, sang with the choir and applauded heartily to Fr. Jack Clifford's words of encouragement which began "Fellow prisoners."

On Christmas Eve, while tape-recorded carols filled the air, we gave a party for our altar boys. At Midnight Mass our chapel was filled to overflowing and many who were unable to crowd into the chapel stood reverently on the porch and lawn during the High Mass celebrated by Fr. Arthur Latham.

On New Year's Eve, Fr. Peter Li underwent surgery for an inflamed appendix. One week later he was back at his desk in the office of the Apostleship of Prayer. On Jan. 1, Frs. Meagher, Carroll, Pope, Thornton and Bourret of Taichung joined our combined communities for dinner at Beda Tsang Hall. the Apostolic Internuncio, Msgr. Riberi, also came for a short while.

VARIA

Recent deaths. Fr. John J. Smith (N.E.) Dec. 21 in Boston; Fr. Bernard Pohlmann (Md.) Jan. 8 in Washington, D.C.; Fr. Arthur Sheehan (N.E.) Jan. 10 in Boston; Bro. Thomas E. O'Brien (Chi.) Jan. 14 in Mariemont, Ohio; Fr. Dan Stack, Jan. 15 in Los Angeles.

You are also asked to remember in your prayers the soul of the brother of Mr. John Nelson (Ore.). Richard Nelson was killed in an automobile accident, leaving his widow with 7 small children and an 8th on the way. R.I.P.